

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION  
OF A POLICE OFFICER TRAINING FACILITY  
House Bill Number 6562**

**Testimony  
Submitted**

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Thank you for providing us with the opportunity to submit written testimony on House Bill No. 6562, *AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A POLICE OFFICER TRAINING FACILITY*

The construction of a police officer training facility for driver training is of interest to the Connecticut Transportation Institute and the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Connecticut. A facility of this nature would provide research and learning opportunities for UConn students.

The facility would provide an opportunity to conduct research on different types of pavements and pavement treatments under conditions that would allow a thorough evaluation without having to obtain traffic protection and causing delays to the motoring public. It would also provide an opportunity to experiment with cutting edge technologies without risking the serviceability of roadways. The facility could also be used to demonstrate state-of-the-art maintenance techniques to practioners from around Connecticut without the risk of exposing groups of people to work zone hazards.

This facility would also provide civil engineering students conducting their senior design projects with the opportunity to work on the various design phases of this project. While the design work performed by the students would need to be verified by a licensed designer, their work could be used for the exploration of initial layouts and other conceptual design layouts. This would provide an opportunity for students to work on a project that has real time applications.

This facility would provide many excellent research and learning opportunities that would help not only with police officer training, but would serve a tool for improving all of Connecticut's pavement infrastructure.